

# **Environmental policy**

Last Review: 01/01/2023 Next Review: 01/01/2024

### Introduction and aim

Goodwin Gardens Ltd is a Landscape Gardening business, operating from a site near Crewe, Cheshire East. Our main services are garden design, creation and maintenance. We recognise that our operations result in emissions to air and water, and the generation of waste. It is our aim to comply with legislation and other requirements, continue to reduce the environmental impacts of our business and operate in an environmentally responsible manner. This policy describes how we will achieve our aim.

### Responsibility

This environmental policy applies to all of our operations including management, office services, site operations, and procurement. Mr A. J. Goodwin has overall responsibility for ensuring that sufficient resources are made available to enable the business to achieve our environmental objectives and targets and that the policy is implemented.

Mr A. J. Goodwin has the day to day responsibility for ensuring that the requirements of this policy are being followed and for monitoring the effectiveness of the objectives. However, all employees have a responsibility in their area to ensure that the aims and objectives of the policy are met.

# **Objectives**

During 2022 and 2023, we aim to:

- Make efficient use of natural resources by conserving energy and water, minimising waste and recycling where possible.
- Meet our duty of care requirements in relation to waste by ensuring the safe keeping, transportation and subsequent recovery or disposal of waste
- Use recycled construction materials whenever these can be commercially justified.
- Keep transport use to a minimum and regularly service vehicles to maintain their efficiency
- Include environmental considerations in investment decisions for new plant, equipment or working practices
- Inform all employees of the companies environmental objectives and support for them to be met.
- Use the most environmentally friendly cleaning products whenever possible.

### **Targets**

To achieve our aims, we have set ourselves the following targets (add or delete where applicable):

- 1. Promoting the development of nature friendly gardens including the use of reclaimed materials.
- 2. Reduce vehicle emissions to air by the scheduling of work to reduce mileage and servicing all vehicles.
- 3. Reduce the generation of general and hazardous wastes by reducing the amount of stock held in stores and ensuring all jobs are accurately scoped and priced to ensure material usage is minimised.
- 4. Recycle as much paper, cardboard, plastic and metal waste generated in the office as possible.
- 5. Recycle as much of general waste from garden and landscaping activities as possible.

## Monitoring and auditing

Progress against these objectives will be monitored through a number of mediums including:

- Annual review of this environmental policy and any associated environmental procedures.
- Continuous monitoring of environmental procedures.
- The annual review of environmental objectives.

### Communication

This environmental policy is available from Mr A. J. Goodwin. All members of staff will receive training on the environmental responsibilities of their role, and will be informed of any updates or revisions via e-mail or team meetings.

Signed: J. Goodwin

Mr A. J. Goodwin Managing Director. 01.01.23